

Forest Green School

February, 2021

It is so hard to believe that we are already preparing for our second round of Student/Parent/Teacher Interviews. January has literally flown by! Here are some important dates and details: **February 4th & 5th is Teacher Convention, no students attend ***February 12th is a PD Day, no students attend

Registration for 2021/2022 School Year

It is that time of year where you will be asked to update your child's/children's registration for the upcoming school year. Please ensure you take a minute or two to do this. An email will be sent from PSD with more information. Registration opens February 8th and closes March 22nd.

Student/Parent/Teacher Interviews

Interviews will be on February 10th & 11th between 4 and 7pm. Once again, these meetings will be virtual. You can sign up for your interviews via <u>School</u> <u>Appointments</u>. You will need to create a new login.

On Feb. 8th after 4 pm, a **link will be emailed** out to you via School Appointments for your virtual interview.

***Please note, the interviews will be 10 minutes long. Once you click on "Admit" teachers will admit you to the meeting at your scheduled time.

Valentines Day

Valentine's Day will be celebrated on February 11th. Please have all valentines at the school in a bag labeled with your child's name no later than February 8th. Please do not send any treats on that day. Please contact your child's teacher with classroom specific questions.

Gradebook

You can now login to your Powerschool Parent Portal to view the grades of your child's assignments that teachers have posted. As this is new for us as well as you, please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions.

Kindergarten Open House

Also in February is our Virtual Kindergarten Open House. It will be held on February 17th from 4-7 pm. Please feel free to share this <u>link</u> with anyone looking to register for kindergarten.



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Please do not hesitate to contact us at the school with any questions or concerns that you may have at 780-963-7366 or <u>forestgreen@psd70.ab.ca</u>.

School Council & Fundraising Society

WHAT'S UP WITH THE FUNDRAISING CREW?

- February/March: Purdy's Easter Fundraiser
- March/April: Dominoes, Buy 1 Get 1 Free cards
- May: Mundare Sausage
- June: Spellathon

JOIN US for our next Virtual meeting!!!

February 9th, 2021

Fundraising Meeting @ 5:15pm (Zoom Link will be sent out)

Parent Council Meeting @ 6:30pm via Google Meets. Link: https://meet.google.com/vwj-gecs-ycm?hs=122&authuser=0 Should you have any questions, feel free to contact us at <u>fgsfundraising@gmail.com</u>.

Feel free to attend virtually via Google Meets. Link located in the School Calendar. **New faces are always welcome!**

Next Fundraising Society Meeting & School Council Meeting: Tuesday, February 9th @5:15pm & 6:30pm

General Information

Feeling Sick? Here's What to Do - UPDATE

• Please click on the above link for directions on what to do when your child is sick.

Parent Handbook

Please click <u>here</u> to view our Parent Handbook for the 2020/2021 School Year Please click <u>here</u> to view our COVID School Re-Entry Handbook.

Reporting Absences

To report an absence for your child, please email <u>forestgreen@psd70.ab.ca</u> or call and leave a message at the school office (780-963-7366). Please include the student's name, teacher (or grade), and reason for the absence in your message.

Drop-Off & Pick-UP



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Please note the following important information regarding child safety and parking at Forest Green.

- 1. Bus Drop-Off is at 8:15 am
- 2. Students who are being driven or walking should plan to be here after 8:20, but before 8:30.
- 3. Supervision begins at 8:15 am, please do not drop your children off before this time as there are not adults outside to supervise.
- 4. Students will now stay outside in their zone when they arrive at school until the first bell.

Visiting Forest Green

To comply with AHS guidelines, we ask that you call the school prior to entering. When you arrive, you will be asked to sign in and fill in the COVID screening checklist. We are not permitting visitors into classrooms at this time.

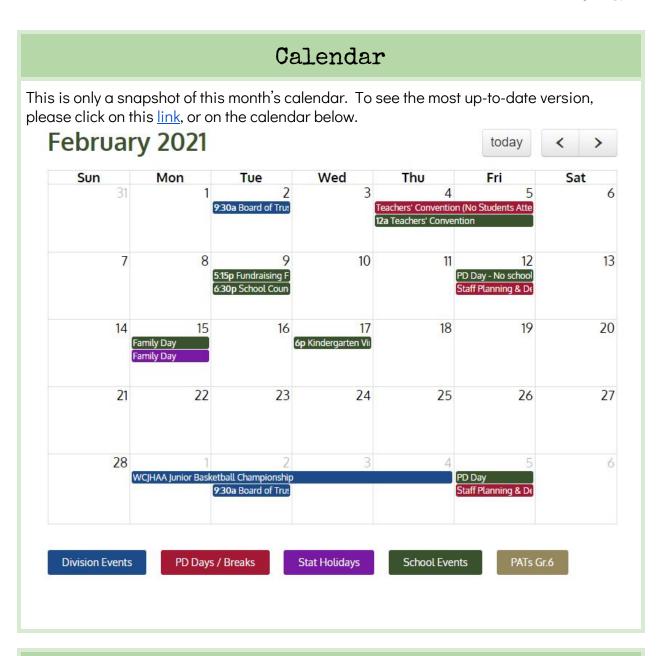
Masks/COVID

Students and staff are adjusting very well to the new protocols and procedures in place because of COVID. Please ensure you are continuing to complete At Home Screening checklist BEFORE you send your child/children to school. Please click on "<u>What to do if you are sick</u>" for information, should your child have symptoms. Also, please ensure all children in grades 4-6 have a mask.

8:15am	Supervision Begins (Buses Arrive)
8:25am	Doors Open
8:30am	Welcome Bell
8:35 am	O'Canada & Announcements
8:40 am	Instruction Begins
10:25 - 10:40	Recess
11:50 am - 12:20 pm	Noon Recess
12:20 - 12:40pm	Lunch Break
12:40pm	Instruction Begins
3:05 pm	Dismissal
3:15pm	Supervision Ends

2020-2021 Bell Schedule





Community Support Worker News

Below you will find a couple of links to resources and services. As always, please feel free to contact JGoulden@psd70.ab.ca if you require more information.

The HelpSeeker app gives you access to 130k+ of community, health, and social services and enables you to provide help to those in need when they need it the most. <u>https://helpseeker.org/</u>WHAT IS 211? 211 is an essential service that helps Albertans find the right resource or service for whatever issue they need help with, at the right time. 211 is available 24/7 by phone, text and chat. The service is free, confidential and available in over 170 languages over the phone. <u>https://ab.211.ca/</u>



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Parent Learning Opportunities

Each month, Parkland School Division's Learning Services team compiles a newsletter for parents and guardians of students. Inside you will find information, opportunities and strategies to help you and your family connect with us on your child's educational journey. Each month we will provide you with information about mental health and ways we can work together to support your family.

PSD's Stronger Together Family Newsletters

Please see some amazing...(and FREE!) online learning sessions for parents and caregivers, hosted by Alberta Health Services and the Mental Health Foundation. Session topics this month include: Parenting teens, mental health and resiliency, positive communication, calming our bodies and understanding depression, etc. There are a variety of session times to meet families needs - after-school/evening hours, as well as lunch and learns.

Lunch & Learn Webinars Mental Health and Resiliency Series

Parenting Teens in the 21st Century – Part 1 Monday, February 1 12:00 – 1:00 pm Parenting Teens in the 21st Century – Part 2 Monday, February 8 12:00 – 1:00 pm Mental Health and Resiliency Series Positive Communication that Promotes Growth Tuesday, February 2 12:00 – 1:00 pm Calming Our Bodies and Minds Tuesday, February 9 12:00 – 1:00 pm Resilient Mindsets Tuesday, February 16 12:00 – 1:00 pm Collaborative Problem Solving Tuesday, February 23 12:00 – 1:00 pm

Caregiver Education Sessions

Parenting Strategies that Promote Positive Mental Health Wednesday, February 3 6:00 – 7:30 pm More Than Just a Bad Day: Understanding Depression and Self-Injury in Youth Wednesday, February 10 6:00 – 7:30 pm Keeping Scattered Kids on Track: Understanding and Supporting Children and Youth with ADHD Wednesday, February 17 6:00 – 7:30 pm

Mindfulness: Benefits for the Whole Family Wednesday, February 24 6:00 – 7:30 pm

Drop-In Series Support, Education & Engagement Series (SEEDS) Supporting Your Child With Structure and Routine Thursday, February 4 6:00 – 7:30 pm Managing Meltdowns and Shutdowns Thursday, February 11 6:00 – 7:30 pm Helping Our Kids Figure Things Out Thursday, February 18 6:00 – 7:30 pm Effective Consequences Thursday, February 25 6:00 – 7:30 pm For more information or to register, visit www.cyfcaregivereducation.ca

apfa Programming:

https://www.eventbrite.ca/o/alberta-parenting-for-the-future-association-15112757928



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The Stony Plain Library is also offering some amazing FREE programs virtually. Such as Lego builders Club, Kids Can Cook, Thursday after school events and Virtual Escape Rooms. <u>https://mysppl.ca/programs-and-events/virtual-events</u>